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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Reconsideration is respectfully requested of the Final Office Action of January 13, 2006, relating to the above-identified application.

The claims in the case are Claims 1-3, 6-8 and 10-30.

It is noted with appreciation that Claims 8, 10-13 and 23-28 have been allowed.

The rejection of Claims 1-3, 6, 7, 14-22 and 29 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 (first paragraph) is traversed and reconsideration is respectfully requested. The Office Action says that support cannot be found for the feature of "a homogeneous distribution" as recited in Claim 1.

After a thorough search of the application, it is noted that page 5, lines 5 to 8, states:

"In order to obtain as homogeneous as possible a distribution of the oil/pelletizing additive mixture across the entire cross-section of the carbon black beads, the oil/pelletizing additive mixture must be sprayed

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